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climb to base camp from the top of Mt. Baldy, a foothill just west of Timpanogos. We were ferried there from the valley by a KSL helicopter. This morning around 8:10 a.m. a KSL helicopter again overflowed our camp to check on its crew.

On Tuesday, as team members waited out the storm, Howard Chuntz conducted experiments using nitrogen to simulate even higher altitudes. Wearing a mask and breathing mixtures of nitrogen and air, Hansen was taken to simulated altitudes of 24,000 feet.

Because of the heavy amounts of snowfall that the storm dropped on Timpanogos, conditions descending may be difficult.

As we descend, we will be wearing avalanche transceivers, devices that will transmit a signal helpful to other team members in locating a buried companion.

Around camp, snowfall is estimated at 4 to 5 feet. Wind blowing across the ridge has been estimated at gusts of 60 miles per hour.

Utahns on Everest have received permission from the Chinese government to climb Everest, the world's highest mountain, in 1992.

Team members have conducted several training sessions on various mountains in the United States, but this is their first attempt at maintaining a base camp for a long period of time.

They began officially maintaining the base camp on New Year's Day, and will remain for two to three weeks.

Some of the heroes in this training session have been team supporters of Utahns on Everest, who have carried on their backs heavy loads to the base camp and then turned around after reaching base camp and hiking back down. Some of the supporters have made numerous trips.

for South Hills police station. "There are bad feelings about this," Sheriff Milford Durham said.

Durham said investigators were awaiting results of a drug test on Reynolds. An alcohol test came

Storm contributed that kills 2 on

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The first statewide storm of the new year moved through Utah County Tuesday, causing a four-vehicle accident that killed two people near Point-of-the-Mountain as the valley was dusted with 1 to 3 inches of snow.

The accident on Interstate 15 may be alcohol related, said Trooper David Shields. A pickup truck driven by John R. Mason, 25, Payson, was northbound on I-15 at about 11 a.m. when it skidded across the median and became airborne, ac-

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said how many border troop reinforcements were being sent, or how many are already in the region.

Vagiv Samedoglu, editor of the Azerbaijan People's Front newspaper, called the Tass report of attacks by drunken, narcotics-influenced mobs a "lie" written in Moscow, 1,200 miles north of Nakhichevan.

He said, however, that Soviet Azerbaijanis had been camped along the border for nearly a month in hopes of seeing relatives and friends on the other side. The Azerbaijanis are the only Soviet ethnic group who, like Iranians, are largely Shiite Moslems.

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